

speech, entitled "Deductions from Experiences of an Earthquake." Dr. Mallory read an interesting paper, "Amputation of Cervix," and told of some unusual surgical cases he witnessed during the past winter in New York. A discussion followed in which all present took part.

Dr. and Mrs. Thompson invited us to the banquet board, where we spent a most enjoyable time, entertained by speeches, toasts, etc., until a late hour.

G. W. MALLORY, Secretary.

Ventura County.

The second bi-monthly meeting of the Ventura County Medical Society was held on Monday evening, April 9th, 1906, at Oxnard, at the office of Dr. G. A. Broughton.

Dr. Broughton was the orator of the evening. His subject, Obstetrics, was treated from the twentieth century standpoint. A discussion by the society followed, individual experiences being exchanged, that were as interesting as they were mutually profitable.

Two very unusual cases, very recent, were adverted to by Dr. Broughton, in which he had, assisted by Dr. A. A. Maulhardt, operated under great difficulties, and in which both cases terminated successfully. The first was an appendectomy in a woman five months pregnant, complicated by a tumor of the left ovary and which had given no symptoms prior to operation for the appendicitis, appendix and left ovary being removed, pregnancy not being interrupted.

The second was a cholecystotomy undertaken for evident obstruction, section disclosing one live and one dead round worm, measuring each one-fifth centimeter thick and fifteen centimeters long.

Dr. Broughton was congratulated on having finally completed his fine new hospital and modern operating room.

The Society adopted a resolution that on and after July 1st, 1906, its minimum fee for medical examinations shall be \$5.00 for old line insurance companies, and that for fraternal organizations, the minimum fee shall be two dollars.

President Cunnane directed that the chief life insurance companies and fraternal organizations be notified to that effect.

The members were then invited to partake of a collation prepared for the occasion and which was much enjoyed by all present.

The Society gave Dr. Broughton a vote of thanks. CHARLES TEUBNER, Secretary.

The following is a list of the contributors (Ventura County Medical Society) to professional relief fund of San Francisco:

Charles Teubner, M. D., Saticoy, \$5; T. E. Cunnane, M. D., Ventura, \$5; F. H. Huning, M. D., Ventura, \$5; J. C. Bynum, M. D., Ventura, \$5; W. R. Livingston, M. D., Oxnard, \$5; R. D. Potts, M. D., Oxnard, \$5; G. A. Broughton, M. D., Oxnard, \$5; A. A. Maulhardt, M. D., Oxnard, \$2.50; total \$37.50.)

LANE LECTURES.

The coming course of Lane Medical Lectures in Cooper Medical College, will be by Dr. Jno. C. McVail of Glasgow, commencing August 20th, 1906. Two lectures will be given daily during five days.

The practical utility and public beneficence of this year's instruction will appeal to the medical profession as opportune and especially attractive, and it is hoped that all who are interested in the

progress of Sanitary Science and Medical Education, will accept the cordial invitation to these lectures on,

The Prevention of Infectious Disease.

First lecture—Progress of modern sanitary administration with description of public health organizations of towns and counties. Typhus fever which has been practically abolished by means of sanitation. The results of modern housing conditions and the practical importance of building regulations will be considered in a way to offer beneficial suggestions in the re-building of San Francisco, as well as aid in the welfare of every other community.

Second lecture—Plague: Endemic centers of typhus and plague promoted by similar conditions and of interest to the Pacific States. Water supply, sewage, garbage disposal; rats, etc., will be considered in their relation to infectious diseases.

Third lecture—Enteric fever: Methods of its spread by water, milk, food, oyster culture, etc. The discussion of typhoid fever opens largely the field of public health efforts.

Subsequent lectures will be devoted to the infectious diseases of childhood. Measles and the sanitary control of schools and school hygiene in general.

Scarlet fever. The worth and worthlessness of hospitals in controlling scarlet fever and the improvement which may be made in hospital construction so as to minimize return cases.

Diphtheria. The stationary nature of its mortality as compared with other infectious diseases. The influence of antitoxin treatment.

Smallpox. With illustrations of its extraordinary prevalence in pre-vaccination times. The value of hospital isolation for smallpox.

Tuberculosis. Its remarkable diminution as a result of measures of ordinary sanitation. Special measures which are now being taken to still further lessen the spread of disease; home measures, consumption hospitals, sanatoria, convalescent homes, labor colonies, etc.

Finally the general question of the ethics of disease prevention showing the effect of sanitation, vaccination, isolation and public health effort has been to improve the race physically and morally and that the practical outcome is most encouraging for the future.

SAN FRANCISCO POLYCLINIC.

The San Francisco Polyclinic has bought the property at 443 Fillmore street, on which is a three-story building, and as rapidly as possible all necessary alterations will be made upon it. It contains twelve rooms and will make a convenient dispensary building, when fixed up. The staff is planning to have the building in running order by September 1st, and expects to open with the regular post-graduate course at that time.

BANQUET TICKETS.

Those who purchased tickets for the dinner which was to have been held on the evening of Friday, April 20th, and who have not had their money returned, are requested to write to Dr. George E. Ebright, 2500 Fillmore street, San Francisco, who will send them check for the amount subscribed.

Remember our new address, 2210 Jackson Street, San Francisco.